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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

This is to advise that I support the Bush Administration and Microsoft in the settlement of this lawsuit.

Let me add a few of my own thoughts and comments:

A former partner of mine walked out on our business a year and a half ago and started her own business. She proceeded to call and send letters to our clients leading many of them to believe that she would be "taking over" their cases when no such agreement had been made. She continuously smears our reputations with clients as she has done to her previous employers in the past. We lost more than 1/2 of our client base to these unethical actions. She attempted (and is still doing so) to take all of them in any way she could. Fortunately, my reputation in the field is good enough and her slander is not with the other 1/2. This, along with many other actions she practiced and continues to practice, is a violation of anti-trust laws; not what Microsoft has done.

I am tired of the government constantly attempting to divert the money and success that honest, hardworking individuals have obtained to 'provide to the less fortunate' individuals. I do not make much money; in fact, I am a single parent of two teenagers and make less than \$50,000 a year. There have been times that I have made \$15,000 a year and I have never felt that the so called rich people owe me something. Because of my intent to provide for myself and my family, I have done whatever I could to make sure my success was a priority. I have admired the ambition of people such as Bill Gates who have built themselves an "empire" on their own intelligence and abilities. It is ironic to me that the ones that feel that the "poor" people need to get more of the government's (American's) money than the ones that have actually paid the taxes into the government are Hollywood elite who make millions of dollars a year and wouldn't give a penny up without plenty of media coverage to make sure they become noted for their alleged wonderful contributions. If the "poor" people would quit laying on the legs of honest, hardworking Americans, they may be able to actually make it on their own. President Bush's tax cut and the refunds was the best thing in the world and I think if the majority of it went to the "richest of the rich", then they were deserving of it since they were the main contributors. While I don't agree with salaries paid to CEO's, etc. that are non-owners of businesses, I cannot agree with penalizing them because they may have been diligent enough to get where they are.

I could continue with my point of view but feel that this should get my point across in regard to the Microsoft case.

Thank you for your consideration of my interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

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